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Dear Interested Party:

The Bureau of Land Management is proposing an emergency closure for the area commonly known as the Stuart Ranch property, which is located along Meadow Valley Wash just south of the Lincoln County line. The closure is needed to protect sensitive resources on site until a final management plan can be developed. The proposed action is to close the property area to vehicle access, target shooting and overnight recreation. Foot travel onto the property during daytime hours would be allowed with this closure. This closure would not apply to hunting under the laws and regulations of the State of Nevada, although access for hunting activities would be by foot travel only. Those exempt to the closure include: 1.any Federal, State, or local officer or employee in the scope of their duties, 2.members of any organized rescue or fire-fighting force in performance of an official duty, 3.any person authorized in writing by the Bureau of Land Management.

A copy of the Environmental Assessment entitled "Stuart Ranch Emergency Closure" and the Finding of No Significant Impact can be obtained at Las Vegas Field Office or it can also be accessed on the BLM website at www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/lvfo.html under the "In the Spotlight" section.

Comments on the Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact must be submitted to the BLM by August 22, 2008.

Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name, address, phone number, or e-mail address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information act, state this in the beginning of your comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law.

Comments may be submitted electronically at: NV_LVFO_Planning@blm.gov or in writing at:

Las Vegas Bureau of Land Management
C/O Sarah Peterson
4701 North Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

If you have any additional questions regarding the process, please contact Sarah Peterson, at 702-515-5154.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Jo Rugwell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mary" and last name "Rugwell" clearly distinguishable.

(Mary Jo Rugwell
Field Manager

cc:

Ron Wenker, BLM, Nevada State Director

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